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Dear Mr. Hartley and Mr. Bartley:

You submitted your proposed Terms of Reference document for the Lakehead Source Protection Area on October 17, 2008. I have completed my review of the proposed Terms of Reference and in accordance with my authority under Section 10(2) of the Clean Water Act, 2006, hereby approve the Terms of Reference as updated on April 14, 2009.

I appreciate the efforts undertaken by the Lakehead Source Protection Committee and Authority during the consultation periods for the Terms of Reference that go above and beyond the legislative requirements. Specifically, two public meetings were held in order to engage stakeholders and raise public interest, which exceeded the provincial minimum of one meeting per source protection area.

Thank you for your work to protect Ontario's source waters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Gerretsen".

John Gerretsen
Minister

cc: Ian Smith, Director, Ministry of the Environment
Rob Messervey, Ministry of Natural Resources
Melanie Matheson, Project Manager, Lakehead Region Conservation Authority

